

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re application of:

BYRUM *et al.*

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Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 28, 2001, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 9), and the Office Communication dated September 6, 2001 (Paper No. 11), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-1824.